

## Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER MAY 4, 2023

WHEREAS,

In 1952, Congress established an annual day of prayer, during which people throughout the United States were encouraged to pause in repentance and intercession for our nation; and

WHEREAS,

Prayer can play a valuable and productive role in strengthening bonds of understanding, tolerance, friendship and unity among all people; and

WHEREAS,

Marylanders cherish our heritage of religious freedom and throughout our State and the Nation events will take place to celebrate and honor the National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS,

Maryland is pleased to recognize the historic role that prayer has played in our country by observing the first Thursday in May as National Day of Prayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 4, 2023 as NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER in Maryland, and do commend this celebration to all of our citizens.



**Given** Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, this 4th day of May

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Lt. Governor

Secretary of State

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